

SAN MARCOS FIRE DEPARTMENT



2010 ANNUAL REPORT

San Marcos Fire Department



Mission Statement

The San Marcos Fire Department is dedicated to providing a well-trained, motivated, and diverse team of professionals who deliver excellence in prevention, education programs, and emergency response services to our community in a safe, responsible, and efficient manner.

Motto

**“Prepared for the Worst,
Delivering the Best!”**



Values Statement

The members of the San Marcos Fire Department provide service and protection to our community with the following core values:

P	Professionalism
O	Opportunity
S	Service
I	Integrity
T	Teamwork
I	Ingenuity
V	Vigilance
E	Excellence

San Marcos Fire Department



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San Marcos Fire Department History

*Serving San Marcos, Texas
Since 1884*



Fire Department Racing Team



Fire Station on Guadalupe Street



Firemen with Parade Float on Square



The San Marcos Fire Department observed its 126th anniversary in October. It is easy to see the changes in the Fire Service over that period of time. Horse drawn hose wagons are now diesel powered trucks carrying their own water, fire hose and ladders. Bucket brigades from the nearest water trough are now replaced by supply hose connected to the nearest fire hydrant. The most important change over time results from those changes in the construction and product manufacturing industries. As construction materials, building designs and petroleum based consumer goods continue to evolve, the training required by Firefighters increases exponentially. It is no longer good enough to "put the wet stuff on the red stuff" when fighting fire. Possibly the biggest change in our department is in the knowledge, skills, abilities and professionalism of our firefighters. As alluded to earlier, the fire service is requiring more education and training to keep up with the changes in construction materials, building designs and petroleum based consumer goods. All of our firefighters are trained in fire suppression, high angle rescue, hazmat awareness and operations, swift water rescue, building construction and incident command. Training is a daily ongoing process in our department. Our firefighters today are better equipped and better trained than those of 25 years ago but one thing hasn't changed; "the individual member's willingness to respond to calls for assistance, risking life and limb to help those in need."

A Message from the Fire Chief



As Chief of the San Marcos Fire Department I am honored to present to you our 2010 Annual Report. This year has seen a great deal of change within our organization. A change that I am proud to say has been met by our members with a constant and unwavering “can do” attitude and a commitment to continuous improvement.

We have worked collaboratively with stakeholders both inside and outside the organization to implement changes that will enable us to improve services to the citizens long term while at the same time identifying areas which required more prompt attention. Review of our mutual aid agreements with neighboring departments was initiated and we applied for our First Responder Organization Certification. Joint training exercises have been conducted with most of our neighboring departments and target hazard training has been conducted at specific businesses in our own community.

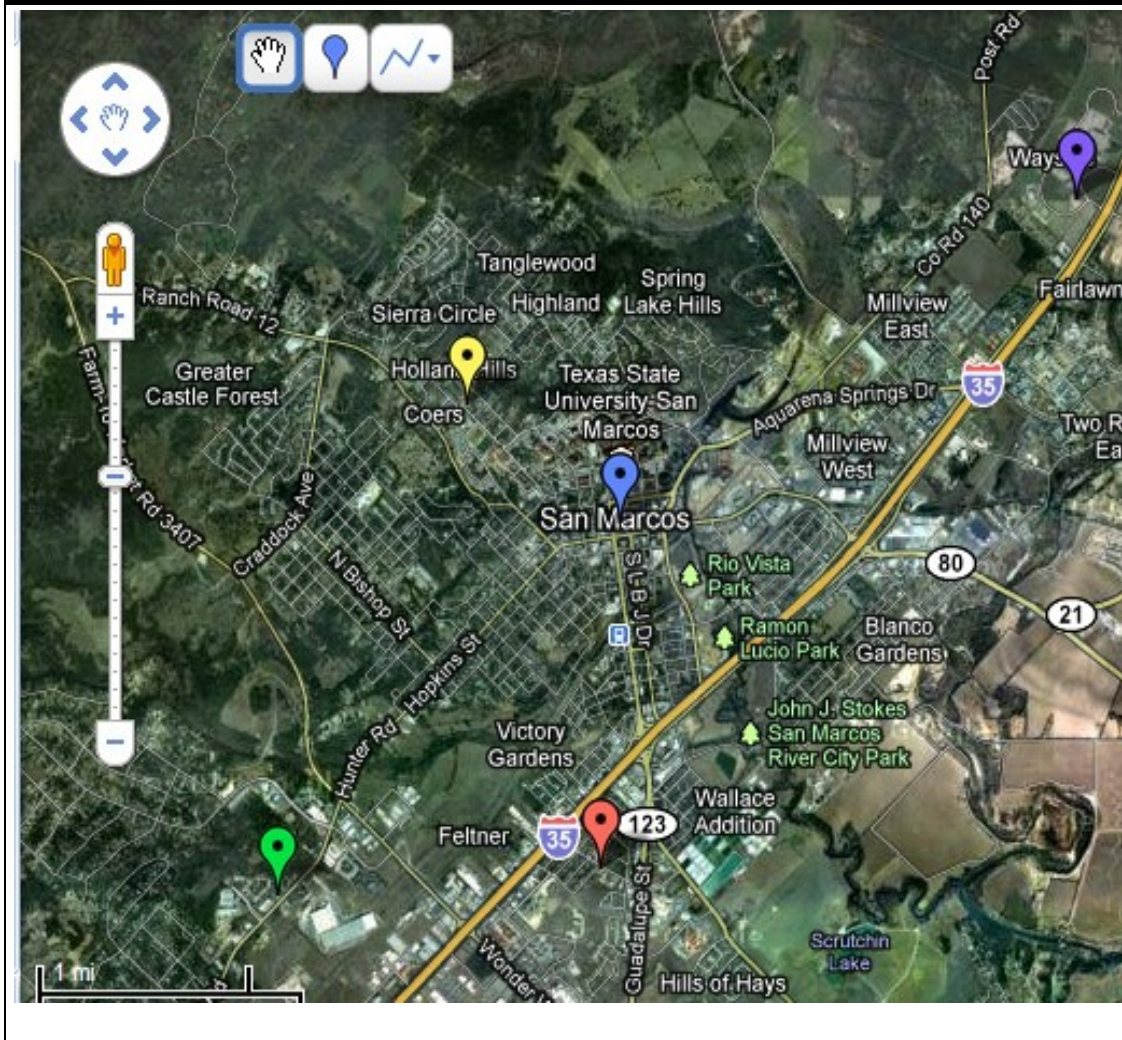
A system that will give each station a specific fire-service related discipline to focus on above and beyond their daily duties has been implemented. Individuals with specialized training or passion for a particular discipline, along with specialty equipment or apparatus, will be assigned accordingly. To date Station 1 has been designated as our “rescue” station, Station 3 as our “haz-mat” station, and Station 5 as our “training” station.

We have taken steps to improve almost every facet of our Department including: streamlining the intake process for our entrance examination, revamping and validating the physical agility test, implementing a structured and scheduled training program, implementation of a small engine maintenance program, and participation by our members in courses offered by the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Steps were taken, procedures implemented and equipment purchased to allow our firefighters to remain in their district as much as possible. These changes have resulted in less out-of-district responses and improved response times. Long term, these changes, will result in reduced property loss in the event of a fire and greater potential for patient survivability in serious or life-threatening emergency medical situations.






As we look ahead to 2011 we know there will be new challenges but we remain positive knowing that we have excellent people who are not only capable of meeting those challenges, but also committed to making San Marcos as safe as possible for all the individuals who choose to live, work, or play here!

Les Stephens
Fire Chief

Fire Stations Map



SAN MARCOS FIRE STATION LOCATIONS

-  Fire Station No. 4 — 404 Broadway (512) 393-8473
-  Fire Station No. 1 — 114 E. Hutchison St. (512) 393-8476
-  Fire Station No. 3 — 2420 Hunter Rd. (512) 753-2396
-  Fire Station No. 2 — 1314 Academy St. (512) 393-8471
-  Fire Station No. 5 — 100 Carlson Circle (512) 805-2667
Fire Administration (512) 805-2660

Fire Station Information

STATION NUMBER	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT	RESOURCES AVAILABLE	SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT
1	114 East Hutchison Street	1968	Engine 1 Rescue 1 Batt. Chief Inflatable Boat	Rescue
2	1314 Academy Street	1954	Engine 2 Brush 2	
3	2420 Hunter Road	2001	Truck 3 Brush 3 Haz-Mat 3 Haz-Mat Trailer	Hazardous Materials Response
4	404 Broad- way	2004	Engine 4 Brush 4	
5	100 Carlson Circle	2010	Truck 5 Reserve Truck 1 Reserve Engine 1	Training & Admin.

Fire Apparatus Information



Engine 1 — 52-622
2009 SMEAL Engine
\$470,000

This Class A Pumper responds to fires and other emergency calls with hose, ladders, hydraulic and hand rescue tools. It carries 500 gallons of water, pumps fire-fighting foam through a Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS), and is equipped with an AED unit.

Rescue 1 — 52-503
2004 Ford F-550
\$55,000

This vehicle responds to rescue calls, including high angle rescue, trench rescue, and vehicle extractions with specialized rescue tools and the Jaws of Life.



Brush 2 — 52-319
2003 Ford F-550— 4 x 4
\$30,000

This vehicle responds to off-road brush and grass fires. It carries 350 gallons of water, hose and hand tools.

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Fire Apparatus Information



Engine 2 — 52-614
2007 SMEAL Pumper
\$406,574

This Class A Pumper responds to fires and other emergency calls with hose, ladders, hydraulic and hand rescue tools. It carries 500 gallons of water, pumps fire-fighting foam through a Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS), and is equipped with an AED unit.



Truck 3 — 52-300
2006 SMEAL Quint Fire Truck
\$640,323

This Quint responds to fires and other emergencies. It carries a wide range of power and hand tools used at fire incidents and motor vehicle accidents. It has a 100' rear-mount platform, carries 300 gallons of water, extrication tools, and is equipped with an AED unit.



Brush 3 — 52-615
2008 Ford F-750, 4 x 2 Crew Cab
Chassis with 500 gal. tank
\$120,505

This vehicle responds to off-road brush and grass fires. It carries 500 gallons of water, hose and hand tools.

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Fire Apparatus Information



Hazardous Materials/Special Ops Vehicle — 52-505
2004 American LaFrance Freightliner
Hazardous-Materials Response / Homeland Security Vehicle
San Marcos/Hays County — \$350,000

This unit carries specialized equipment for response to gas leaks, spill cleanups and hazardous material emergencies. It serves as Incident Command Center for major events such as a train derailment or multi-agency responses.



Engine 4 — 52-315
2001 Pierce Quantum
Pumper
\$400,000

This Class A Pumper responds to fires and other emergency calls with hose, ladders, hydraulic and hand rescue tools. It carries 750 gallons of water, pumps fire-fighting foam through a Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS), and is equipped with an AED unit.

Brush 4 — 52-306
1997 Chevrolet 1 Ton Pick-Up Truck
2-wheel drive
\$27,174

This vehicle responds to off-road brush and grass fires. It carries 300 gallons of water, hose and hand tools.



Fire Apparatus Information



Truck 5 — 52-623
2010 SMEAL Quint—105' Aerial
Ladder Truck
\$721,000

This aerial responds to fires and other emergencies. It carries a wide range of power and hand tools used at fire incidents and motor vehicle accidents. It has a 105' rear-mount ladder, carries 480 gallons of water, extrication tools, and is equipped with an AED unit.



Reserve Truck 1 — 52-303
1989 Sutphen Aerial Platform

Placed in service when a front-line vehicle is out of service.

This aerial responds to fires and other emergencies. It carries a wide range of power and hand tools used at fire incidents and motor vehicle accidents. It has a 65' Mid-mount Platform, carries 350 gallons of water, and extrication tools.



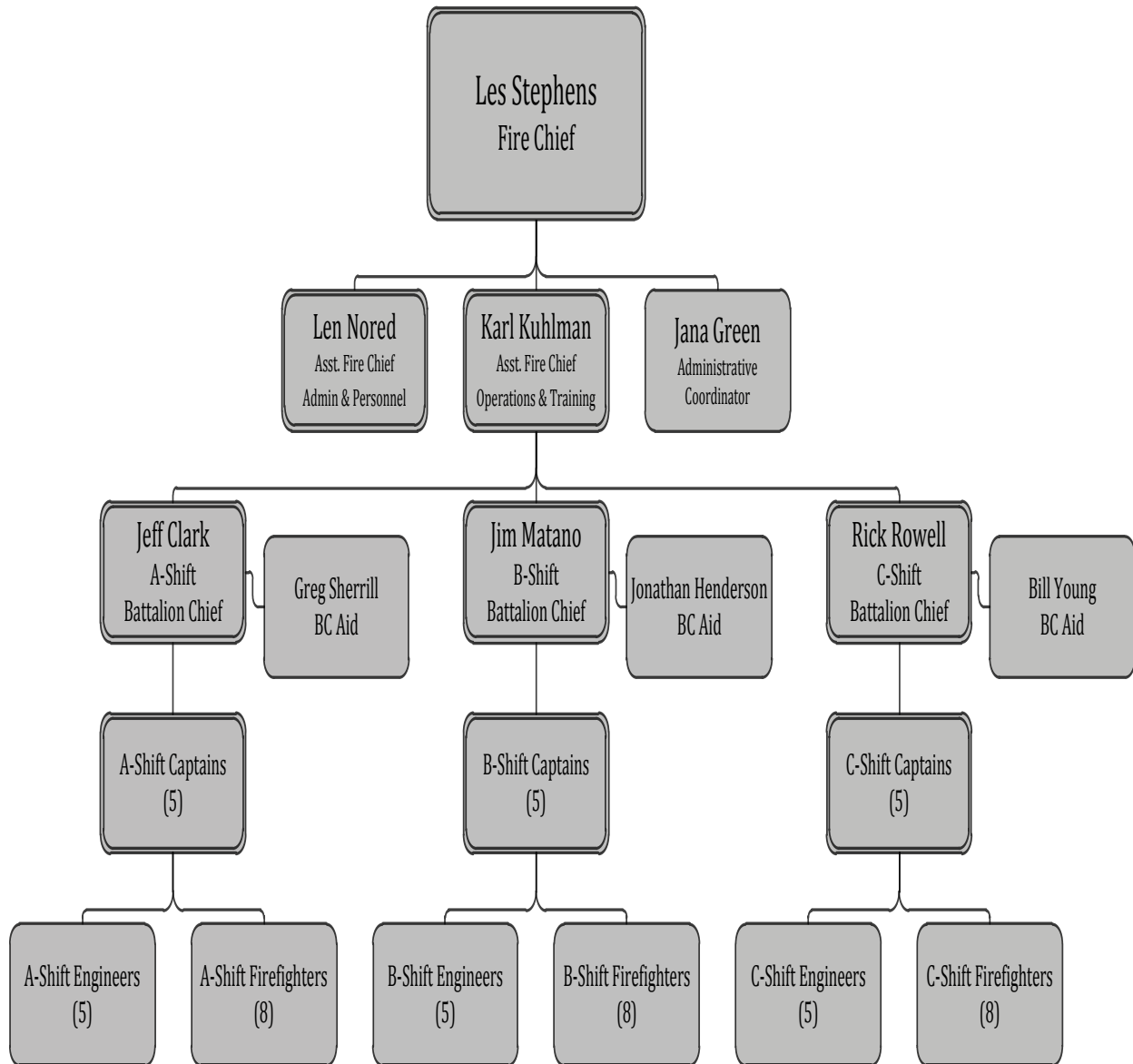
Reserve Engine 1 — 52-302
1993 Sutphen pumper
\$180,000

Placed in service when a front-line vehicle is out of service.

This Class A Pumper responds to fires and other emergencies. It carries hose and 750 gallons of water.

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Organizational Chart



Command Staff



Chief Les Stephens



**Assistant Chief
Karl Kuhlman**



**Assistant Chief
Len Nored**



**A-Shift Battalion Chief
Jeff Clark**



**B-Shift Battalion Chief
Jim Matano**



**C-Shift Battalion Chief
Rick Rowell**

Administration and Personnel

Administration and Personnel is responsible for all aspects of hiring, management and development of our employees, budget development and implementation, purchasing and construction oversight, special events organization and various other day to day activities that are required to keep a Fire Department with a \$5.7 million dollar budget functioning smoothly.

2010 was a memorable year for Administration and Personnel Management in the San Marcos Fire Department. We were tasked with meeting budgetary constraints set forth by City Council, overseeing project completion and final move in of Fire Station 5, honoring our retirees, promoting their replacements and hiring eleven new personnel.

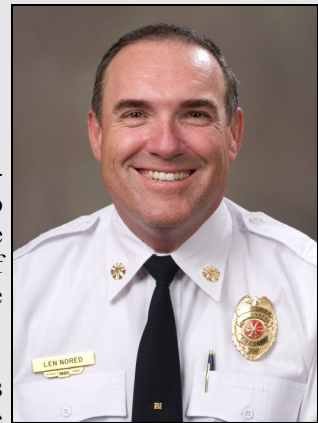
We oversee all purchases large and small, including the purchase of Truck 5, our new 105' aerial ladder truck. We applied for and were awarded a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant totaling \$268,754 for gas powered training props.

During the 2010/2011 budget process, we were informed that we would be held to very minimal line item increases due to the overall economic environment. We embraced the challenge, developed our budget and were able to successfully manage our year long budget while actually increasing the services provided to our citizens. We were able to accomplish this through the implementation of fuel saving policies, organizational restructuring, station re-districting and old fashioned spending control. All of our administrative personnel are committed to fiscal responsibility and above all, staying within our budget.

LEN NORED ASSISTANT CHIEF ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL

Chief Nored joined the Fire Department in 1985. He was promoted to Engineer and Lieutenant before being appointed to Assistant Chief in 2002. He has twice served the department as Interim Fire Chief.

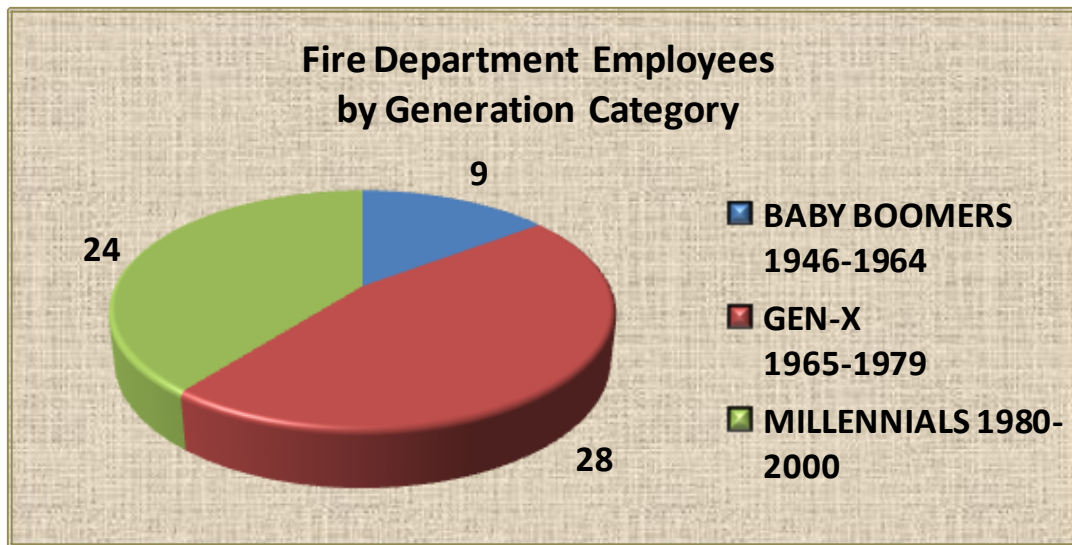
He holds numerous certifications including Master Firefighter, Fire Office I and II, Intermediate Instructor III, Fire Investigator. He attended Texas A&M University where he studied Petroleum Engineering. Prior to receiving a second Bachelor of Science degree, he took a management position with Vorwerk, USA. He succeeded in creating the number two sales office in the nation.



Our personnel are the true strength of our Department; and it always has a detrimental effect when we have retirements. Early 2010, we had multiple retirements resulting in a loss of over 65 years of fire fighting experience. These retirements create vacancies which must be filled using a process of competitive testing. Thankfully, due to our progressive training programs, we have very capable personnel promoting to fill these vacancies in the ranks of Battalion Chief, Captain and Driver/Engineer. (cont.)

2010 SMFD Original Adopted Budget Breakdown	
PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$4,792,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$94,584
MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	\$255,082
OTHER CHARGES	\$37,700
BUDGET TOTAL	\$5,179,899
2009 AFG GRANT — 90%	\$268,754
2010 AWARDED GRANT TOTAL	\$298,615

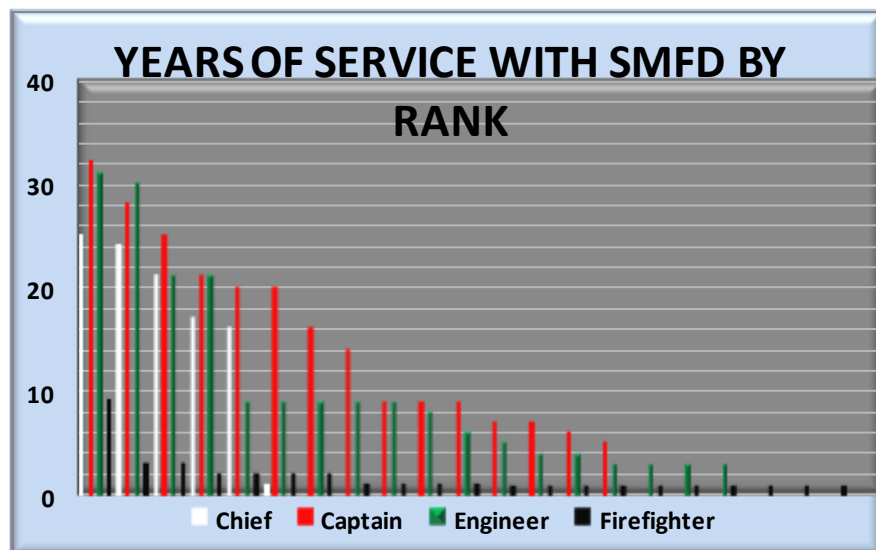
Administration and Personnel



Fire Station 5 opened in July of 2010 and represented the culmination of a five year long process from bond election to grand opening. Fire Administration relocated its offices to the new station on Carlson Circle and hit the ground running. Along with the opening of a new station comes the need to hire 11 new personnel, establish new response districts for each fire station, establish supply and maintenance contracts and finally, coordinate a grand opening ceremony for several hundred guests and dignitaries.

We are a department of 60 certified front line personnel, 2 Assistant Chiefs, 1 Fire Chief and 1 Administrative Coordinator. Obviously, 2010 was not only challenging for a staff our size but it was a very rewarding year as well. We look forward to a bigger and better 2011.

** Two FF positions were vacant when this data was graphed.*



Operations and Training

2010 was a busy year for the Operations and Training Division of the San Marcos Fire Department. A new Fire Chief was hired in late 2009, and since that time, we have been moving at warp speed. The Operations and Training Division has two primary responsibilities. The first of those responsibilities is our day-to-day operations. This covers everything from public education events and fire prevention efforts, to cleaning the stations and checking out the equipment. With the support of Administration and Personnel, as well as all other City Departments, our primary responsibility is to ensure that when Mr. or Mrs. Smith has an emergency, our troops are ready and able to respond in a safe, responsible, and efficient manner. It takes considerable effort, coordination, equipment, and training to ensure that this happens.

When Mrs. Smith's kitchen is on fire at 2:00 in the morning, several things must occur. First, someone must report the fire.

This usually comes in through the 9-1-1 Dispatch Center. The Emergency Communications Operator (ECO) gathers the information, and quickly notifies the appropriate fire units of the situation. The Firefighters at the Station receive the emergency tones, and the information regarding the emergency. They quickly don their Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), climb onto the Fire Engine, and respond to Mrs. Smith's kitchen fire. They arrive on scene, assess the situation, make assignments as needed, and extinguish the fire. Hopefully, no civilians are injured, the fire is confined to the kitchen area with minimal damage, and everyone goes home safely.

Now imagine if one of the pieces of this response puzzle was removed... What if you dialed 9-1-1, and no one answered, or the person that did answer could not help you? What if the firefighters at the station never received the emergency tones, or when they did receive the tones, they did not have PPE to don? What if the Fire Engine did not start, or they did not know how to get to Mrs. Smith's house? What if, when they arrived on scene, they didn't know what to do, or lacked the training and tools to save Mrs. Smith's house? What if the most important pieces, the Firefighters on the frontline, were removed, and no one showed up at all?

KARL KUHLMAN ASSISTANT CHIEF OPERATIONS & TRAINING

Chief Kuhlman joined the Fire Department in 1994. In 1999, Chief Kuhlman completed Basic Peace Officer training and has since served as a certified arson Investigator for the Fire Marshal's Office.



Chief Kuhlman has served as a Firefighter, Engineer, Lieutenant, Battalion Chief and Division Chief. A second Assistant Fire Chief position was created in December of 2009 and Chief Kuhlman was appointed to that position by Fire Chief Les Stephens.

He received his BAAS degree from Texas State University-SM, graduating Summa Cum Laude. He received his Associates degree in Fire Protection Technology from Austin Community College, graduating on the President's Honor Roll. He obtained his Certified Public Manager (CPM) Certification from the William P. Hobby Center for Public Service.

Operations and Training

Fortunately, all of these pieces are in place, and we are attempting to add new pieces all the time. In July, we opened a new station, Station Number Five. Opening a new station presents many challenges. The response districts for each station have to be modified, and programmed into the Computer Aided Dispatch System. The fire boxes, showing the order our units should be paged for a specific area in town have to be modified. The response configuration (what type and how many units) have to be modified. And again, the most important pieces, new Firefighters have to be hired and trained to respond to emergencies here in the City of San Marcos.

In order to respond safely and efficiently, our Firefighters must be constantly training. Training is a never-ending process. This is our other primary responsibility, and it is just as important as the first. All of these pieces can be in place, but if our Firefighters don't know what to do when they show up, they are just another group of spectators, watching an emergency event unfold. Training for SMFD personnel ramped up considerably in 2010. With the opening of Fire Station Five, we hired 11 new Firefighters. These Firefighters participated in our first ever five-week orientation process. During this time-frame they were on an 8:00am – 5:00pm schedule, and covered everything from how to get water from a hydrant, to how to enter a report into our Fire Reporting Software. After the five week academy, they began their one year probationary period on shift. They were assigned to a crew, and have been busy learning everything they can about the City and our Department. They have been evaluated on a quarterly basis, and we look forward to them coming off probation in July of 2011.



are 18 different knots and harnesses that they must be proficient in tying. A Firefighter never knows when he or she will be required to rig up a harness to save a victim (or themselves).

Our Fridays are now known as Firefighting Fridays. Each Friday, all Companies go out and train on a different Firefighting evolution. This typically involves hooking to a fire hydrant, pulling lines off the trucks, and flowing water. These drills are also timed so that the various companies can see how they stack up when compared with their prior efforts, as well as the efforts of other fire companies.



Operations and Training



In addition to the training mentioned above, training is also held every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Monthly, we have Firefighting and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Continuing Education (CE) classes. The Texas Commission on Fire Protection and the Texas Department of State Health Services requires all of our certified Firefighters to obtain a minimum number of CE's each year, based upon the level of certifications held. We also hold quarterly rescue training and quarterly hazardous materials training.

In 2010, we began implementing specialty station assignments. Station One became our Rescue Station, Station Three became our HazMat Station, and Station Five became our Training Station. Our personnel train in all aspects of the job, but the folks at our specialty stations receive more detailed training in their specific disciplines. Along with these assignments came a major movement of personnel within the organization. The goal was to place our Firefighters where they could best utilize their strengths, while at the same time providing the best coverage and protection we could for the citizens of San Marcos.

Our greatest and most important resource is our personnel. Without their tireless efforts and determination, all of this would be for naught. Many of the programs and training classes discussed above were created and managed by the men and women in our Department. The purpose for the existence of Fire Department Administrative Personnel is to ensure that the men and women doing the job out in the field have the training, tools, and knowledge to get the job done in a safe, responsible, and efficient manner. It truly is an honor to serve with these individuals!



Lastly, we had two retirements this past year. Captain Bill Schroeder, a 34-year veteran, and Battalion Chief Kelly Metz, a 20-year veteran both retired in early 2010. When a seasoned veteran leaves the Department, they take something with them that can never be replaced. The combined institutional knowledge of these two men, their contacts within the community, their historical knowledge, as well as their many years of on-the-job experience is priceless. We wish them well with their future endeavors.



Retiring Captain Bill Schroeder (Center) receives Axe from SMPFFA President Howard Minor (L) and Treasurer Paul Muth.



Retiring Battalion Chief Kelly Metz accepts a shadow box from Fire Chief Les Stephens.

Station 5 Opens July 2010

On July 17, 2010 San Marcos proudly opened Station 5 -- a state-of-the-art 20,000 square foot facility at 100 Carlson Circle, housing Fire Administration and Fire Suppression Personnel. The new facility has five and one-half bays for fire apparatus and 13 bedrooms for Fire and EMS personnel to serve the new District 5 in the City Limits of San Marcos. The opening of this station will provide all residents in the City Limits with an ISO rating of 2. *Green* was our construction goal. The concrete was made with ash; low flow water devices were used throughout the facility; floor coverings and ceiling tiles are made from recycled materials; and the facility features high efficiency appliances and lighting.

The facility has a 14,000 square foot rainwater collection area which feeds into a 10,000 gallon tank.



This rainwater is used for washing fire trucks and filling water tanks on the fire trucks. One inch of rain for one hour produces approximately 10,000 gallons collected. Station 5's Training Room serves as a second Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for the City. The new Training Room will seat 50 people comfortably, with tables and chairs. It can hold even more if the tables are removed.

Students have access to the Internet via Wi-Fi. It has state-of-the

-art AV Equipment, including a projector and retractable screen, four LCD panels, a document camera (aka: an ELMO), a DVD/VCR player, a resident PC, as well as cables for a guest instructor to hook up a laptop. All of this can be controlled with a touch screen that allows the instructor to control everything at the touch of a button.

Fire Administration relocated to Station 5 from Station 1, built downtown in the 1950's. Fire Chief Les Stephens, Assistant Chief Len Nored, *Administration and Personnel*, Assistant Chief Karl Kuhlman, *Operations and Training* and Administrative Coordinator Jana Green invite the public to visit the new fire station. As we build on our rich history, we would like to thank the City Leaders and the Citizens of our community for providing this beautiful facility.

The San Marcos Fire Department sponsors numerous programs of outreach to our community to enhance public safety and education. Firefighters participate in "Fired Up About Reading" at the Library, the "Pink Heals" cancer campaign, "National Night Out", MDA's "Fill the Boot", "Shattered Dreams" with the High School and Texas State University students, Child Safety Seats with Texans in Motion, Resident Assistant Training at Texas State University dormitories, the Fire Safety House, the annual 9-11 Remembrance Ceremony, school programs, fan collection for needy families, and smoke detector distribution to the public. The Department is part of the statewide "Baby Moses" program in which infants who might otherwise be abandoned, can be brought to fire personnel at one of our five stations. We are currently planning a Citizen's Fire Academy.

Station 5



Corner of River Ridge Pkwy @ Carlson Circle



River Ridge Business Park Aerial

San Marcos voters approved bonds for the new Station 5 in November of 2005. City Council decided to build the station without raising taxes. The property at the corner of River Ridge Parkway and Carlson Circle (above-left) is 3.994 acres. Council approved bonds for \$915,000 for the purchase of the land and design of the new station.



Architectural Rendering of Proposed San Marcos Fire Station 5

Fire Prevention and Education

**Fire Prevention and Safety begins at home.
Teach the children and they will lead their families.**



San Marcos Fire Department welcomes group and individual visitors year-round.

Walk-ins enjoy one-on-one discussions with firefighters as they are shown around the stations and fire trucks.

Group tours are customized to the ages and interest of the visitors. Both young and old enjoy getting an up-close look at the fire apparatus, equipment and gear. Firefighters combine fire safety education with each tour.

The Fire Safety House is equipped with a smoke detector for hearing impaired, a loud speaker system, 9-1-1 phone system, wheelchair ramp and roll-out awning. The portable trailer is designed to replicate a children's scale home with living room, kitchen and up stairs bedroom where Fire Safety is taught with hands-on fire simulation events. Kitchen stove safety, fire escape planning and ladder escape, "hot door" simulation and non-toxic smoke-filled room evacuation are a few of the experiences available to visitors to the Fire Safety House.

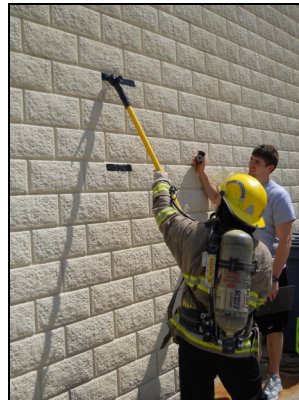
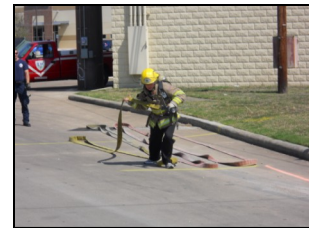
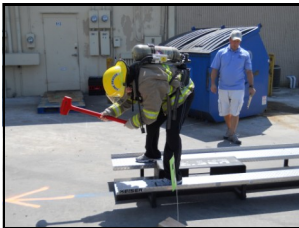


Recruiting 2010



Firefighter Entrance Exam
Nov. 17, 2009

- 217 Tested
- 91% Passed Written Exam
- 11 Recruits Hired July 2010



RECRUIT CLASS 2010

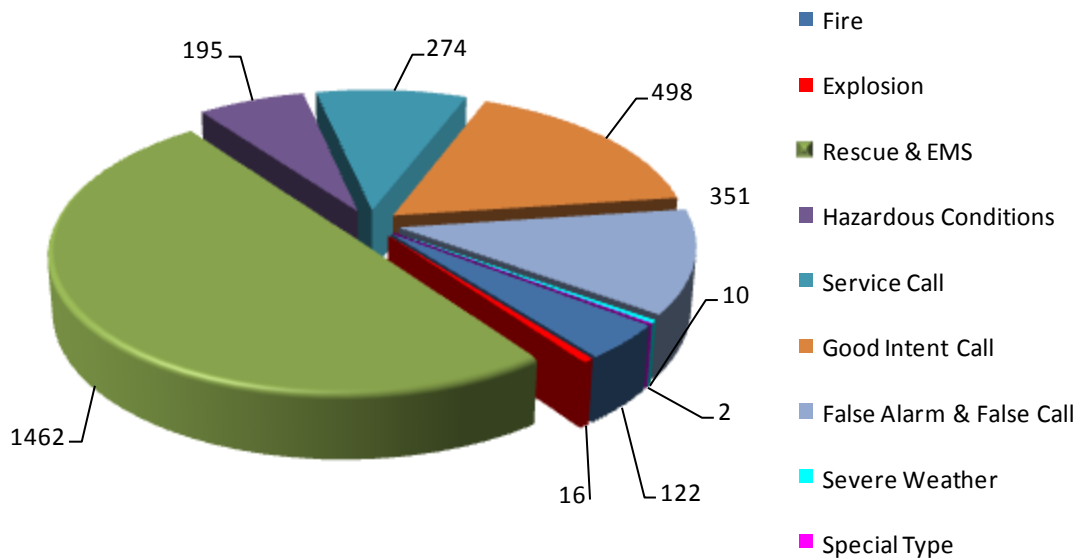


Recruits spend five weeks working Monday-Friday, learning department SOP's, physical fitness, familiarizing themselves with city, university, and hospital facilities, as well as studying area maps and streets. Training continues after shift and station assignment for a one-year probationary period.

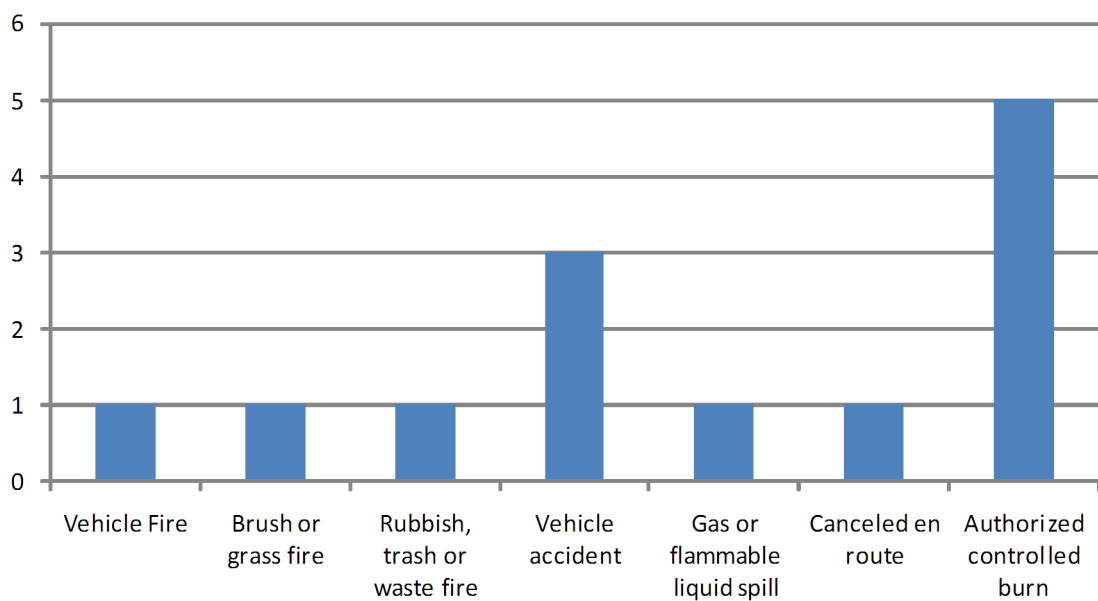


Fire Statistics 2010

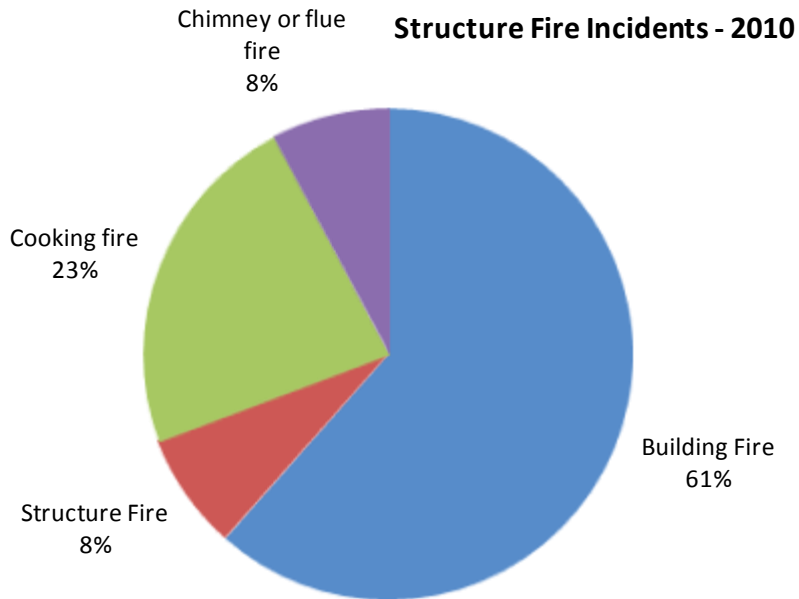
Total Incidents for 2010 -- 2,930



Total Mutual Aid Given Incidents

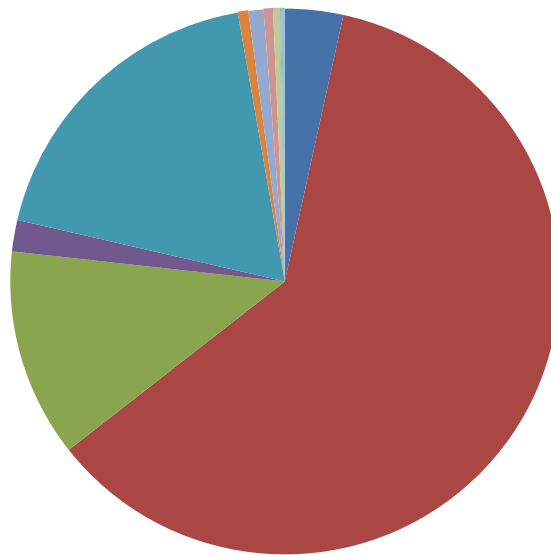


Fire Statistics



1,454 Rescue & EMS Incidents in 2010

- Medical assist, assist EMS crew
- EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/injury
- Vehicle accident w/injury
- Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident
- Motor vehicle accident w/no injury
- Lock-in
- Search for person on land/water
- Vehicle Extrication of victims
- Stalled elevator rescue
- Water areas rescue



Highlights 2010

- ★ San Marcos Fire Department's 125th Anniversary of continuous service was celebrated in conjunction with the Grand Opening of the 20,000 square foot Station 5. In honor of the occasion, special Challenge Coins were minted. The design was done by Jana Green, Fire Department Administration Coordinator.
- ★ With the opening of the \$5 million Fire Station No. 5, the city's ISO-Public Protection Classification went city-wide from a "2/10" to a "2" rating, further reducing insurance rates for homeowners and businesses.
- ★ Truck 5, a 2010 SMEAL 105' Aerial Ladder Truck was received in April and placed in service in August, 2010 following the Grand Opening of it's new home at 100 Carlson Circle.
- ★ 2010 was the first year of the Fire Department *Strategic Master Plan* implementation of staff reorganization.
- ★ Firefighters conducted Fall and Spring Semester "Resident Advisor (RA) Academies" with Texas State University-San Marcos.
- ★ Fire Safety Programs were delivered to the Downtown Business Owners and all the Bar owners and employees.
- ★ SMFD received funding for numerous propane fed fire props through the AFG Grant.
- ★ Recruit Training Program was developed and 11 firefighters were hired in July 2010.
- ★ Fire Station 1 was renovated with most of the efforts concentrated in the apparatus bay, kitchen/day room area.
- ★ SMFD promoted one new Battalion Chief, 5 new Captains and 7 new Driver/Engineers.
- ★ Mutual Aid Agreements with surrounding communities and agencies began a review process.
- ★ NFPA 1851 compliance was begun on all department Bunker Gear for inspection and cleaning.
- ★ Small Engine Maintenance Program was established for all motorized equipment.
- ★ Local Civil Service Rules review was initiated.
- ★ A new SMFD logo was designed and T-Shirts were the first to bear the new artwork.
- ★ Funds raised for Pink Heals and MDA exceed all previous years.

SMFD Awards 2010

The purpose of Fire Department Awards is to honor department members and civilians for acts of valor or meritorious service. The awards program is important because it not only honors those who have performed well, it also strengthens our collective resolve to serve our public by reinforcing values of service.

Officer of the Year

2010



Captain
Aaron Crawford



Firefighter of the Year

2010

Engineer
Scott Grunwald



Phoenix Award Recipients 2010



BC Jim Matano



Capt. Paul Muth



Capt. Craig Miller



Eng Mo Orichuela



Eng. Richard Howser



Eng. Clayton Emilienburg



FF Eugene Martinez



Prob FF Brandon Ninneman



Eng. JJ Torres

Awards 2010

SMFD

Iron Man of the Year 2010

Responding to
368 incidents



**Captain
Sean Garrison**



Driver/Engineer Bill Young (Right) receives Centex 100 Club Emergency Responders Team Award.

Community Service



\$12,000 raised by SM Fire and Police during Pink Heals Cancer Awareness Campaign in 2010.

Texas Hill Country Adventure with Sunshine Kids is ten days of fun. SMFD personnel donate their time and reap the reward of loving these great kids. (shown below)



Firefighters fulfill "Make A Wish" for 8-year old Derian DeLeon with dinner and fellowship at Station 3. Derian died June 8, 2010.

SMFD Honors Army Captain Paul W. Peña, who died in Afghanistan January 19, 2010, as his Funeral Procession passes through San Marcos.





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